

REMARKS

The Applicants respectfully requests further examination and consideration in view of the amendments above and the arguments set forth fully below. Claims 1-20 were previously pending in this application. Within the Office Action, Claims 1-20 have been rejected. By the above amendments, Claims 1, 2, 7-12, 19, and 20 have been amended and Claims 16-18 have been canceled. Accordingly, Claims 1-15, 19, and 20 are currently pending in this application.

Amendments to the Claims

By the above amendments, Claims 1, 2, 7-12, 19, and 20 have been amended and Claims 16-18 have been canceled. Claims 1 and 19 are independent claims, each introducing an “internet central server system”. Claims 1, 2, 7-11, 19, and 20 have been amended to consistently recite an “internet central server system.” The independent Claim 12 recites a “server system” and later recites a “central server system”. Claim 12 has been amended to consistently recite a “server system.” By the above amendments, no new matter has been added and no new issues have been raised.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Within the Office Action, Claims 1-15, 19, and 20 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as having antecedent basis errors. By the above amendments, proper antecedent basis has been provided for the claims. The Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are compliant with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph and are therefore allowable.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Within the Office Action, Claims 16-18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 (e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,757,712 to Bastian. By the above amendments, Claims 16-18 have been canceled. Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 16-18 is now moot.

For the reasons given above, the Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in a condition for allowance, and allowance at an early date would be appreciated. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 to discuss the same so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,
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